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**Subject:** Tribal Consultation Opportunity: Draft Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment

**Attachments:** 61616Tribal Notification Letter\_Draft Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment.pdf;  
guidelines\_for\_human\_exposure\_assessment\_peer\_review\_draftv2.pdf

Hello everyone,

EPA is currently revising one of its documents used to describe the approaches and methods used by the Agency to conduct risk assessments – the *Guidelines for Exposure Assessment* that was published in 1992. This draft version of the revised guidelines (now titled *Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment*) reflects advances in exposure science and the evolution of EPA policies over the past 25 years. It also includes a chapter (Chapter 4) that discusses how lifestages, vulnerable groups and populations of concern could be at increased risk for adverse health effects from environmental contaminants due to disproportionate exposure or varied responses to exposure, or both. Section 4.3.5 in this chapter is specific to tribal populations.

EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) is conducting a consultation and coordination process with the Tribes and is soliciting input on its draft *Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment* through September 12. ORD has been asked by tribes to exercise broad reach concerning this consultation opportunity. As such, we have been working with the National Tribal Toxics Council and plan to discuss the draft guidelines with the National Tribal Caucus next month. Given the TSC's past efforts on Tribal Risk Assessment, I will also work with Curtis and Dave to offer the Council an overview of the draft Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment.

The consultation and coordination plan is as follows - EPA will hold one conference call (July 12) for the tribal environmental management staff, and other interested tribal government officials to be informed about the draft *Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment*, and two consultation calls (July 21 & July 25) for Tribal leaders (see below for times and webinar information).

### Tribal Consultation and Coordination Process and Timeline

Date	Event	Contact Information
Meeting #1 – July 12, 2016 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET	Consultation Call/Webinar with Tribal Environmental Staff	Michael Broder: <a href="mailto:broder.michael@epa.gov">broder.michael@epa.gov</a> (202-564-3393)
Meeting #2 – July 21, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET	Consultation Call/Webinar with Tribal Leaders and Designated Staff	Michael Broder: <a href="mailto:broder.michael@epa.gov">broder.michael@epa.gov</a> (202-564-3393)

Meeting #3 – July 25, 2016 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET	Consultation Call/Webinar with Tribal Leaders and Designated Staff	Michael Broder: <a href="mailto:broder.michael@epa.gov">broder.michael@epa.gov</a> (202-564-3393)
September 12, 2016	Tribal Comments Due to EPA	Michael Broder: <a href="mailto:broder.michael@epa.gov">broder.michael@epa.gov</a> (202-564-3393)
All meetings will be done by webinar.		
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The Tribal Consultation "Draft Guidelines for Human Exposure Assessment," has been posted to the Tribal Portal Web site:

<http://tcots.epa.gov/oita/tconsultation.nsf/TC?OpenView>

The Tribal Consultation Direct Web link to the documents may also be accessed at:

<http://tcots.epa.gov/oita/tconsultation.nsf/x/59FA91794F84147485257FAF00641673?opendocument>

The documents are also attached for your information.

Thanks for sharing this consultation opportunity within your networks.

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